IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

Plaintiff,

V.

(Magistrate Judge Saporito)

COLUMBIA COUNTY COURT, et al.,

ORDER

SEPTEMBER 11, 2020

Plaintiff filed the instant action on September 11, 2019, and it was jointly assigned to the undersigned and to a magistrate judge. Upon designation, a magistrate judge may "conduct hearings, including evidentiary hearings, and . . . submit to a judge of the court proposed findings of fact and recommendations." Once filed, this report and recommendation is disseminated to the parties in the case who then have the opportunity to file written objections.²

On July 30, 2020, Magistrate Judge Joseph F. Saporito, Jr., to whom this matter is jointly assigned, issued a thorough report and recommendation.³ In sum, Magistrate Judge Saporito recommends that Plaintiff's claims be dismissed and that this case be closed.⁴

Defendants.

¹ 28 U.S.C. 636(b)(1)(B).

² 28 U.S.C. 636(b)(1).

³ See Doc. 36.

⁴ See Doc. 36 at 12-13.

No objections to the report and recommendation have been filed. For portions of the report and recommendation to which no objection is made, the Court should, as a matter of good practice, "satisfy itself that there is no clear error on the face of the record in order to accept the recommendation." Regardless of whether timely objections are made by a party, the District Court may accept, not accept, or modify, in whole or in part, the findings or recommendations made by the magistrate judge.⁶

Because I write solely for the parties, I will not restate the facts, but will instead adopt the recitation of facts as set forth by the magistrate judge. I have conducted a de novo review here and found no error.

AND NOW, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that:

- 1. Magistrate Judge Joseph F. Saporito, Jr.'s July 30, 2020 Report and Recommendation, Doc. 36, is **ADOPTED in full**.
- 2. The motion to dismiss at Doc. 21 is **DENIED AS MOOT** with respect to non-party movant Judge Thomas A. James, Jr.
- 3. The motion to dismiss at Doc. 21 is **GRANTED** with respect to Defendant Columbia County Court of Common Pleas. All claims

Fed. R. Civ. P. 72(b), advisory committee notes; *see also Univac Dental Co. v. Dentsply Intern.*, *Inc.*, 702 F. Supp. 2d 465, 469 (M.D. Pa. 2010) (*citing Henderson v. Carlson*, 812 F.2d 874, 878 (3d Cir. 1987) (explaining that judges should give some review to every report and recommendation)).

^{6 28} U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); Local Rule 72.31.

against that defendant are **DISMISSED** for lack of subject matter jurisdiction.

- 4. The remainder of Plaintiff's action is **DISMISSED** *sua sponte* for lack of subject matter jurisdiction.
- 5. The Clerk of Court is directed to **CLOSE** the case file.

BY THE COURT:

s/ Matthew W. BrannMatthew W. BrannUnited States District Judge